

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY

Call to Order: Chair David Howard, on April 12, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 422 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. David Howard, Chair (R)
Sen. Cary Smith, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Mary Caferro (D)
Sen. Jen Gross (D)
Sen. Steve Hinebauch (R)
Sen. Albert Olszewski (R)
Sen. Diane Sands (D)
Sen. Jason D. Small (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Frederick (Eric) Moore (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julie Emge, Committee Secretary
Alexis Sandru, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SR 62, 4/10/2017

Executive Action: SR 62 - BE ADOPTED
HB 612 - BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED

Committee Business:

00:00:39 Chair Howard

Vice Chair C. Smith took over as Chair.

HEARING ON SR 62

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:10 Sen. David Howard (R), SD 29, opened the hearing on SR 62, Confirm Governor's appointee to Board of Optometry.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:03:10 Sen. Sands
00:03:30 Sen. Howard
00:03:33 Sen. Sands
00:03:37 Sen. C. Smith

Closing by Sponsor:

00:03:49 Sen. Howard

Sen. Howard resumed the role as Chair.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 62

00:04:05 Chair Howard

00:04:20 **Motion:** Sen. C. Smith moved that **SR 62 BE ADOPTED.**

Discussion:

00:04:34 Sen. Sands

00:04:50 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Caferro and Sen. Moore voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 612

00:05:23 **Motion:** Sen. Howard moved that **HB 612 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.**

Discussion:

00:05:45 Sen. Small
00:05:46 Chair Howard
00:05:59 Sen. Olszewski

00:06:09 **Vote:** Motion carried 5-2 by voice vote with Sen. Sands and Sen. C. Smith voting no.

00:06:23 **Motion:** Sen. C. Smith moved that **HB 612 BE CONCURRED IN.**

00:06:55 **Motion:** Sen. C. Smith moved that **HB 612 BE AMENDED.**
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Discussion:

00:07:12 Alexis Sandru, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

00:07:50 Sen. Caferro entered the hearing.

00:08:21 Chair Howard
00:08:27 Sen. C. Smith
00:08:39 Ms. Sandru, LSD
00:08:52 Sen. C. Smith
00:08:58 Chair Howard
00:09:08 Ms. Sandru
00:09:19 Chair Howard
00:09:29 Sen. Gross
00:12:00 Samuel Pascal Redfern, United States of Hope
00:12:03 Chair Howard
00:12:18 Sen. Gross
00:12:22 Chair Howard

00:12:35 **Vote:** Motion carried 8-1 by voice vote with Sen. Sands voting no. Sen. Moore voted by proxy.

00:12:51 **Motion:** Sen. C. Smith moved that **HB 612 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.**

Discussion:

00:13:10 Sen. Olszewski
00:14:06 Sen. Gross
00:15:25 Sen. C. Smith
00:16:02 Sen. Sands

00:16:56 **Vote:** Motion carried 5-4 by roll call vote with Sen. Moore, Sen. Sands, Sen. Small and Sen. C. Smith voting no. Sen. Moore voted by proxy. Sen. Howard will carry the bill.

Committee Business:

00:17:49	Chair Howard
00:18:07	Sen. Sands
00:18:26	Sen. Gross
00:18:57	Chair Howard
00:19:22	Sen. Hinebauch
00:19:29	Chair Howard

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:30 PM

Julie Emge, Secretary

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